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Elba Police arrest two Monday, Oct. 24, for distribution of a controlled substance

Elba Police made two separate arrests Monday, Oct. 24, for distribution of a controlled substance.

According to Coffee County Jail records, Frederick Dean, age 30, of Elba was booked into the jail at 2:07 p.m. Monday afternoon on a distribution of a controlled substance charge. He was released on a \$60,000 bond at 7:30 p.m. the same day.



F. Dean

Police arrested Ricky Hill, age 26, of Elba for distribution of a controlled substance. He was booked into the county jail at 6:42 p.m. Monday evening with a \$60,000 for that distribution charge.



R. Hill

Jail records further indicate that Hill faces charges of possession of a controlled substance, and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. He remained in the Coffee County Jail as of

press time this week.

An additional drug-related arrest made by Elba Police last week was the arrest of Antonio Smith, age 48, of Elba on Friday, Oct. 21, for possession of a controlled substance [\$5,000 bond], and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$1,000 bond].



A. Smith

Smith also remained in the county jail as of press time this week.



ONE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL FROM WRECK SCENE...Just after 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, a two-vehicle wreck was reported at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 84 and E. Davis Street in Elba. Upon arrival on scene, emergency responders found that a Jeep SUV had collided with the Lincoln sedan pictured above in the intersection. The driver of the Jeep was taken to a local hospital by Enterprise Rescue for further observation while there were no injuries reported from the Lincoln vehicle, which was out of Illinois. The accident was investigated by Elba Police. Firefighters with the Elba Volunteer Fire Department also were dispatched to the scene.

Elba City Council looks at garbage/sewer rate increases for customers

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday evening, Oct. 24, Mayor Tom Maddox presented council members with proposals for increases to the city's garbage/trash rates and sewer rates.

According to the mayor, the last rate increase for garbage and trash rates was March 1, 2013.

Under the proposed rates, that will be presented as an amended ordinance at the next council meeting, the residential garbage pick-up rate will increase from \$16 per month to \$18 per month; and the cost of extra garbage cans will increase from \$10 to \$12. When the total household income is solely dependent upon Social Security there shall be an exemption, the paperwork added.

As for trash pick up from residences, the cost for over half a load will increase

from \$75 per load to \$100 per load.

Fees for garbage pickup for businesses (by container size) are proposed to increase as well at \$2 extra each per container for each number of pick-ups per week.

The documents provided by the mayor also indicated the last increase for sewer rates in Elba was March 1, 2007.

For residents, sewer rates are based on the customers water usage. The proposed increases the council is considering are as follows: First 2,000 gallons (\$10 minimum) will increase to \$13 minimum; Next 3,000 gallons (\$2.50 per 1,000 gallons) will increase to \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons; Next 7,000 gallons (\$1.25 per 1,000 gallons) will increase to \$2 per 1,000 gallons; Over 12,000 gallons (No extra charge). There would be a maximum charge of \$37.50 per month.

The proposed commercial sewer rates increase will be as follows: First 1,000 gallons (\$25 minimum); Over 1,000 gallons (\$3 per 1,000 gallons). No maximum bill for commercial.

The proposal also includes increased sewer tapping fees - 4" increase from \$400 to \$600; 6" increase from \$500 to \$750; and 8" increase from \$600 to \$900.

After learning from the city attorney that the garbage and sewer rates fall under ordinance, the mayor said the documents provided Monday evening were for information purposes only. He said the council would be asked to consider an ordinance amendment at the next meeting to officially approve the rate increases as proposed.

Also, council members noted they would decide at that time a date to put the new rates into effect in the city.

Elba School Board member commends teachers for their dedication to the job

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba City School Board met Tuesday evening, Oct. 18, and during the meeting board member Johnny Senn noted the efforts of two teachers that he said are performing well and the students are reacting positively to them.

"I had the privilege to sit on a judges committee for Coach Gilmore's history class, and those students, mostly seniors, really stood out," Senn said. "They presented bills just like they were in the legislature and we were the Senate that voted on their bills. They did so good on their research that one, maybe two, of those bills might actually get introduced to the State Legislature."

Senn said he wanted to extend kudos to Gilmore. He said most think of Gilmore as coach, but he is a great teacher at the high school.

"Coach Gilmore is one of the best teachers we have in our school system," Senn said. "He works well with the students, puts the pres-

sure on them, and makes them perform. They did their job, and it was outstanding."

Superintendent Chris Moseley agreed with Senn and added that not only does Gilmore get the work out of his students but that he still makes them laugh too.

At the elementary level, Senn said interventionist Jennifer Moseley really has the love of the students.

"Every time you see them, they are glued to her," he said. "The job she is doing with the reading program... she's really got them."

Elba Youth football to host ZC on Saturday

by Linda Hodge, Editor

With only two regular season games remaining on their schedule, all three youth football teams from the Elba Parks and Recreation are vying for a spot in the Super Bowl championships set for Saturday, Nov. 12, for the Pea River Football youth league.

The Elba Mini Mite team

While he said he realizes the schools have teachers of the month that recognize for outstanding work, Senn said these were just some things he, personally, had noticed as a board member. He said he wanted to commend these teachers for their performance because they are getting the right reaction from their students.

Additional accolades handed out during the board meeting were congratula-

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The Coffee County Commission honored Commissioner Josh Carnley (left) at their meeting Monday, Oct. 24th. This was Carnley's last meeting as a commissioner because he will be taking office as State Senator, District 31, following the Nov. 8th general election. Commission chairman Dean Smith (right) presented Carnley with a resolution thanking him for his 10 years of service to Coffee County.

Coffee County Commission presents resolution to Carnley

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission honored District Three Commissioner Josh Carnley during its regular meeting Monday morning, Oct. 24, in New Brockton. The meeting was the last for Carnley as Commissioner - he will take office as State Senator, District 31, following the Nov. 8th General Election.

"You hate to lose a good commissioner that you have worked well with and is as smart as Josh is, but he'll do just fine in the Senate," commission chairman Dean Smith said. "Josh is a quick learner, and the people

have spoken to give him an opportunity to serve us in the State Senate."

Smith presented Carnley with a resolution thanking him for 10 years of service as a Coffee County Commissioner. He took office in 2012 and is currently in his third term serving District 3.

"In 2012 when I ran, it was an opportunity to serve," Carnley said. "This [Coffee County] is a testament for what government should be. We don't always agree on everything, and you don't always get everything you want. You learn how to work together."

He said he believes that

is what the people want and expect of their government - to be respectful and show pride in the county. Also, he said it is the county's employees that make it so special.

"It takes everybody working together, and it makes this job easier when you know you are representing good people," Carnley said. "I appreciate the opportunity to serve now in the State Senate. I don't forget these roots where I come from, and I truly believe if you want to be successful at the state level that you better learn how to do it at the

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Area Happenings

AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL...On Friday, Oct. 28, the Elba Tigers will travel to McKenzie, the Zion Chapel Rebels will host Reeltown, the Kinston Bulldogs will travel to Houston County, the New Brockton Gamecocks will travel to Northside Methodist Academy, and the Brantley Bulldogs will travel to Florala. Kickoff for is set for 7 p.m. for the games.

CITY OF ELBA NEIGHBORHOOD TRICK-OR-TREATING is set for Saturday evening, Oct. 29, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Those wishing to participate area asked to leave on their porch light. Those not wanting to participate area asked to make sure their porch light is off during this time.

THE ELBA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD will hold a public meeting Monday, Oct. 31, at 7:30 a.m., at Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street.

ELBA'S PUMPKINS ON THE SQUARE, hosted by the Elba Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the City of Elba, will be Monday evening, Oct. 31, beginning at 5:30 p.m., on the square in Elba. There will be live performances by the Elba Elementary Singers, Twice A Year Band, and the Eclectics Show Choir along with free candy, a costume contest, food trucks, a haunted hayride, jumpy houses, a haunted art gallery, and more. Also, the Coffee County Farm City committee will host its annual peanut boil at Pumpkins on the Square.

THE EVERGREEN CEMETERY BOARD will meet Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 6 p.m. at Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street.

The Elba Termite Tigers (age 9-10) currently are tied for first place with Opp in the league standings as both teams are 5-0 on the season. Last Saturday, Oct. 22, the Elba Termites defeated Daleville 22-20 to stay unbeaten.

This Saturday, Elba will host the 0-5 Zion Chapel Termites at Elba's Tiger Stadium, and on Saturday, Nov. 5, the Elba Termites will face Opp in an away game.

The Elba Pee Wee Tigers (ages 11-12) currently are tied for fourth in the league standings with a 3-2 overall record. Last Saturday, Oct. 22, the Elba Pee Wee team lost to Daleville 42-0.

This Saturday, the Elba Pee Wee Tigers will host the 0-5 Pee Wee team from Zion Chapel, and on Saturday, Nov. 5, Elba will travel to Opp to take on the Opp Pee Wee team that currently is 5-0 on the season sitting atop the league standings.

The Super Bowl championships for the Pea River Youth Football league will be Saturday, Nov. 12, in New Brockton.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"An opinion should be the result of thought, not a substitute for it." — Jef Mallett

The University of Alabama Birmingham (UAB) has established a group that specializes in the long-term treatment of snakebite victims. This group of specialists meets regularly with the individual victim and treats their wounds, teaches the proper exercises to prevent loss of arm or leg, help speed recovery, etc. This sounds like a good program, and even though we have never experienced such a bite, it is good to know how to get the necessary therapy, past the emergency room treatment.

A St. Louis, MO high school experienced an 'active shooter' incident Monday morning. The facility has metal detectors, seven security officers, and the doors were reportedly all locked. One news report said the shooter "broke into the school." Police entered the building almost instantly and went directly to the area of the shooting. They killed the shooter. All this sounds like a good plan that was carried out as designed, but there were still two deaths and at least six others wounded. Witnesses credit the fact that the shooter's weapon jammed at least once in what prevented even more victims. We hope all schools, hospitals, churches, etc., pay close attention to each and every one of these shootings, study exactly how it happened and hone their security plan to as near perfection as possible every time they get another incident report.

It is hard to believe that 2022 is almost over. It seems like only last week that Christmas trees were being discarded in front yards all over town. And now that season is almost on us again.

We read an opinion piece this week that was headlined, "Which costs more and scares you less — Halloween or the 2022 Elections?" Well, our instant reaction was "2022 elections"! Then we read the article and found that an estimated \$9 billion has been spent on the upcoming elections. A bunch more spent on Halloween. This Washington writer says 'not to worry' but keep on spending on Halloween costumes, that sweet candy corn and supporting politics. Both are 'Free Speech', 'Free Choice' items and the foundation of our society.

Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito wrote the opinion that struck down Roe vs Wade, the abortion law. This week someone dug up quotes from an interview he did while being considered for a seat on the Supreme Court. In that interview he is reported to have indicated he would not vote to overturn that long standing court decision on abortion. Regardless of if you or I agree with the overturning of the opinion, the guy misled his interviewer and we assume he was willing to say whatever necessary to gain this plush lifetime appointment. Our biggest problem with political types is just that . . . they figure out what the questioner wants to hear and that is suddenly their policy position. It happens from the branch heads of South Alabama all the way to the nation's capital.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022, and Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Oct. 18 — Traffic accident reported at 405 W Davis St (6:15 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 1623 Caroline St (9:07 p.m.).

Wednesday, Oct. 19 — Suspicious circumstances reported on Hwy 125 (12:12 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 990 Hwy 203 (3:01 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Martin Luther King Dr (11:54 a.m.); Drug activity reported to Elba Police (7:00 p.m.); Smoke/odor investigation at 220 County Rd 401 (11:57 p.m.). 18 traffic stops resulted in eight written warnings, six citations, one no report, and three verbal warnings.

Thursday, Oct. 20 — Traffic accident reported at Hwy 125 and Hwy 203 (5:38 a.m.); Sex offense reported on Simmons St (7:02 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 441 Plant Ave (10:54 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 785 County Rd 401 (12:23 p.m.); Theft of property reported on Simmons St (1:43 p.m.); Traffic accident reported on Tiger Dr (7:15 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at Hwy 87 and Hwy 203 (10:06 p.m.); Community Oriented Policing reported at 595 Collier St (11:17 p.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one citation, and two written warnings.

Friday, Oct. 21 — Domestic complaint reported at 971 Smith Ave (1:43 a.m.); Prowler reported on Ann St (2:10 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 645 Reynolds Ave (5:59 a.m.); Drug activity reported on Reese Ave — an arrest was made (1:47 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 84 and Davis St (3:11 p.m.);

Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 — a verbal warning was issued to the driver (6:30 p.m.); Smoke/odor investigation reported at 638 N Claxton Ave (8:51 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 261 Plant Ave (9:02 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, two citations, and two verbal warnings.

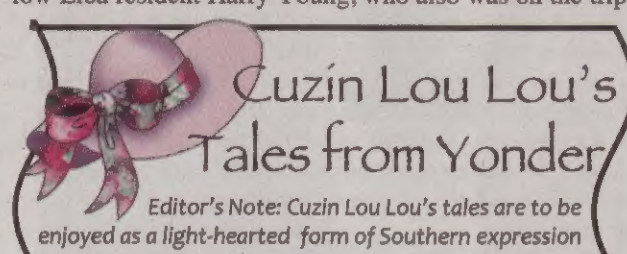
Saturday, Oct. 22 — Domestic complaint reported at 335 Brunson Circle (12:25 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 610 Kendrick St (12:26 a.m.); Prowler reported on Mullins Circle (2:36 a.m.); Gunshot victim reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (5:56 a.m.); Theft of property reported on Winston Ave (9:16 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 413 Adkinson Ave (10:40 a.m.); Report of shots fired on Cedar Lane Dr (1:40 p.m.); Noise complaint reported on Martin Luther King Dr (11:10 p.m.). 10 traffic stops resulted in six citations, one written warning, two verbal warnings, and one arrest.

Sunday, Oct. 23 — Noise complaint reported at 20426 Hwy 87 (4:05 a.m.); Drug activity reported to Elba Police (1:47 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (4:22 p.m.); Harassment reported at 616 W Davis St (7:57 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in six written warnings, two citations, and one verbal warning.

Monday, Oct. 24 — Traffic accident reported on Hwy 189 (12:32 p.m.); Drug activity reported on Simmons St (1:38 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 2995 Hwy 166 — w/ impound (1:50 p.m.); Criminal mis-chief reported at 616 W Davis St (2:38 p.m.); Stolen vehicle reported at 1007 Guyton St (9:11 p.m.). Eight traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, three citations, and one arrest.



HAVING FUN...Elba residents John Robert and Linda Smith recently joined friends on a trip to Tennessee. Above is a photo of the couple with a statue of Dolly Parton in Sevierville, Tenn. The photo was shared by fellow Elba resident Harry Young, who also was on the trip.



Boy'o boy did it get exciting at the Yonder gang's house Sunday evening and not intentionally one might add!

Cuzin Lou Lou had gone to bed early that evening due to not feeling well, but she got up quickly upon hearing her name being yelled frantically by Sister from the kitchen. Lou Lou was a bit disoriented as she ran down the hallway trying to get to the obviously panicked Sister.

Upon rounding the corner to the kitchen, however, she saw immediately what had Sister screaming for help...there were flames of fire shooting from an eye on the stovetop.

Lou Lou didn't have much time to assess the situation before she grabbed something to smother the flames. Luckily, her quick thinking assisted in putting the flames out before anything major happened.

There was no real damage, just a mess to clean up.

"What in the name of Yonder happened?" Lou Lou asked Sister after all calmed down...well, except Sister's heartbeat because she was still shaking from

her excitement.

"I have no ideal!" Sister exclaimed. "I was just cooking a grilled cheese when suddenly there was a loud pop, and then FIRE!"

Lou Lou concluded there must have been something on the eye that burst into flames as Sister was cooking because the fire seemed to be trying to die out on its own as Lou Lou smothered it.

As Lou Lou tried to calm Sister down, she announced, "I am never cooking again!"

"Oh yes you are!" was Lou Lou's response.

There was no way she was going to let Sister allow this little incident to keep her from helping with the cooking duties around the house. It could have happened to anyone.

"What about you grilled cheese? Does it need some more time on the stove?" Lou Lou continued questioning Sister.

"Probably, but I am not going to do it! I will just eat it like it is!" Sister insisted.

Knowing she was in a losing battle there, Lou Lou conceded and let Sister eat her sandwich just as it was; although, it could have used a little more 'browning' on one side. But, if Sister was okay with eating it as it was, then Lou Lou decided to let it be.

The following day, at lunch, Sister still held tight to her announcement that she would no longer be cooking, but Lou Lou again assured her that she would cook again. Lou Lou told her that she would not allow Sister to quit cooking just because of that minor incident. Plus, if Sister quits cooking that only puts more work on Lou Lou — and that is just not in the plan!

There have been lessons this week on the proper things to do in case of a stove fire because Sister did not handle the situation well at all last weekend. Lou Lou has reminded her time and time again that it is a good thing she was home to handle the matter.

"What would you have done had I not been here," Lou Lou asked Sister.

"I don't know...I probably would have had to call the fire department because I had no idea what to do!" she replied.

Hopefully, there will not be another incident, but if there happens to be, maybe Sister will not panic next time! Although it was quite the scene with Sister screaming and Little Bean jumping up and down in excitement not fully understanding what had Sister all up in arms!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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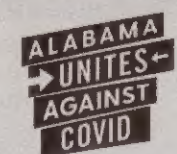
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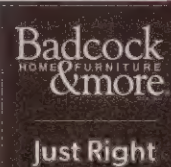
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Just Right



Sandy Williams, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, is shown speaking at the Coffee County Commission meeting Monday, Oct. 24th. Williams promoted two upcoming events while at the meeting, and she thanked the county for always working with Elba on its events and happenings.

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local level first."

Following the meeting, refreshments were served in honor of Carnley's last meeting as a Coffee County Commissioner.

Also, during the meeting, Sandy Bynum-Williams, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, addressed commissioners.

"First, let me say thank you for painting the courthouse in Elba. It is beautiful," Williams said. "I can't say thank you enough, and we appreciate everything you do for us."

Williams main reason for attending the meeting was to invite commissioners to attend this year's Pumpkins on the Square event in Elba on Monday, Oct. 31, beginning at 5:30 p.m. She also asked for permission to continue utilizing the courthouse grounds in Elba for the event, which has been done each year.

"We look forward to working with the courthouse crew again this year," Williams said. "Thank you for allowing us to use the grounds."

Smith made the motion to allow usage of the county grounds for the Elba event, and the motion passed by unanimous consent.

Williams further invited commissioners to attend an author event the Chamber will host on Thursday, Nov. 3, at Blessed Nutrition in Elba, beginning at 6 p.m. She said Linda Hodge, editor of The Elba Clipper, had composed a book of stories stemming from her weekly "Tales from Yonder" column published in The Elba Clipper.

"The Elba Clipper is the oldest continuously running newspaper in the county," Williams said. "She has written this book from the tales she publishes each week in her Cuzin Lou Lou column. During our upcoming event, we will have a reading/talking session just like New York City. It should be a fun night for all. Come and enjoy the activities we have going on in Elba!"

Commissioner Carnley asked Williams about an award the Chamber had received, and she said she had recently received her certified chamber executive designation. Also, Williams said she would be inducted onto the board of the Alabama Chamber Association in November. She said she is excited to be able to work at the state level to help better the local community.

**ATTEND
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SUNDAY!**

Prevent tooth decay this Halloween

Now that Halloween is right around the corner, many children are anticipating getting plenty of candy treats when they trick or treat.

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) Oral Health Office, through creative collaboration and partnerships, is dedicated to making sure resources are available to help educate parents and children on ways to prevent dental decay. For that reason, here are a few tips from the ADPH Oral Health Office to make sure this year's Halloween candy haul stays cavity-free.

Timing: Allow children to eat Halloween candy with meals or shortly after mealtime. Saliva production increases during meals, which helps cancel out acids produced by bacteria in your mouth and rinse away food particles.

Choose Candy Carefully: Avoid sticky candy and hard

candy that can stay in your mouth for long periods of time.

Drink More Water: Multiple sources such as the World Health Organization, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the American Dental Association support proven studies that drinking fluoridated water can help prevent tooth decay. In most cases, tap water from a fluoridated water system is preferred to bottled water because it guarantees the consumption of fluoride as an oral health measure.

Brushing and Flossing: Decay-causing bacteria can stay on teeth and get between teeth. Brushing (with fluoridated toothpaste) in the morning and at night before bed AND flossing teeth once a day will help control the formation of decay-causing bacteria and plaque and prevent the onset of tooth decay.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Coffee County, Alabama Separate, sealed bids for the "SBI-ABC Joint Facility" in Enterprise, Alabama, will be received by the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351, until 1:30 p.m. on the date of the bid, and then from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. bids will be received in the Commission Office. Final bids must be received before the deadline at 2:00 p.m., November 30th, 2022. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Community Room of the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351.

The project work consists of "A new joint facility for SBI-ABC," located at 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330, as indicated in the project documents, include partial civil work to be coordinated with the County Engineering Department thereafter a full ground up completed facility.

The Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be exam-

ined at the following: Coffee County Commission Rod Morgan 2 County Complex New Brockton, AL 36351 (334) 894-5556

Bid Documents & Plans be obtained from G. Mark Pepe Architect, 307 W. Adams St. Dothan, AL 36303. Call 334-712-9721. Bidding Documents for all interested bidders may be obtained upon payment of a deposit of \$200.00 per set. The deposit will be refunded in full to each prime contractor upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. For non-prime contractors, the deposit shall be refunded less \$50.00 to cover the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. No partial sets will be sold.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids. Prime bidders will be required to attend a **mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** on Thursday November 17th, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., at the project site: 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330. Only proposals from

bidders with registered attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference will be accepted. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

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No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Bids will be received only from Qualified Contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors and meeting the qualifications indicated in the Project Documents.

Dean Smith
CHAIRMAN
10/13, 20, 27-chg

Notice is hereby given that U. S. Tank, Inc. P. O. Box 754 Chipley, FL 32428, has completed all work on the Tank Repainting and Generators - Water Works & Electric Board - City of Elba, AL. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify the above name contractor and Southern Engineering Solutions, Inc. P. O. Box 610 Andalusia, AL 36420. 10/27, 11-6, 13, 20-chg

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tions to Miss Elba Zalie McKelvy and Little Miss Elba Bella Bane for the outstanding representation they provided for Elba at the Miss and Little Miss National Peanut Festival pageants, and congratulations to those named to the Homecoming Court.

Regarding personnel, the board accepted the resignation of Cece Daniels as custodian at the elementary school, effective Sept. 29th, and the resignation of Nate Tillis as a bus driver, effective Oct. 18th.

The board voted to hire Dennis Bogan as the new custodian for the elementary school. The superintendent added that Bogan will bring with him extra electrical and a/c refrigeration credentials that may benefit the school system as well by allowing some of this type work to be done in-house rather than having to outsource.

The board also approved the monthly financial statement during the meeting.

A Note of Thanks

The Family of Henrietta Grimes would like to express our deep gratitude to you all for the many acts of kindness shown to us during the recent illness and death of our loved one.

From the kind words spoken about Henrietta to the prayers, calls, food, cards, and other special acts, we want you all to know that we truly appreciated it. We will never forget your kindness. Your love for Henrietta was felt by us all.

Thank You,
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Who Am I Now? Grief and Your Changing Identity

Most people don't think much about their own identity and how it is connected to others until they experience a loss. Once a loved one is gone from your life, you begin to realize that part of your grief journey will also involve adjusting to a new identity. You will likely feel confusion over who you are now that your loved one has passed on.

There are multiple ways your identity can change following the loss of a loved one.

1) Relational Identity - If you lose a child you may wonder, "Am I still a parent?" If you lose a spouse, you lose the identity that comes with being someone's life partner. If your loved one was ill, and you were the primary caregiver, you may find it is difficult to shift away from that role. Or you may find you have now become the primary caretaker for an aging parent because your other parent has passed on. No matter the change, you may find yourself wondering if you will be able to cope in your new role.

2) Professional Identity - Following the loss of a loved one you may have to relocate or change jobs. You may have quit a job to help care for your loved one if they were ill, and now you are able to return to the workforce. Our professional identity is a huge part of who we are and changes in this area can have a huge impact on how we see ourselves.

3) Spiritual Identity - For some, the loss of a loved one may change their outlook on life, and you may find your spiritual faith can shift or even disappear. You may question your beliefs. If your spirituality was a big part of your identity prior to your loss, this can be hard to cope with.

4) Financial Identity - The loss of a loved one can also change your financial situation. You may go from a dual-income family to being a single income family. You may have medical bills to deal with. Alternatively, you may receive an inheritance that you must decide how to manage.

While there are no easy answers, know that facing a changing identity is common. It will take time to really feel like this new identity is truly "you." Try to embrace your new role. By accepting your new responsibilities and the challenges that come along with it, you may find your new role brings you a new sense of joy and fulfillment.

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Volunteers: A group of community members standing together, some wearing "VOLUNTEER" shirts.

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Kit Johnson, Pastor
First Baptist Church of Elba

If you are reading this, you have likely seen advertisements in the paper of the various upcoming events: fall festivals, pumpkins on the square, trunk or treat, etc. Who doesn't love the excitement and opportunities for fellowship leading up to Halloween?

I recently found out about a children's book in which the main character, Rocko the Bat, was able to experience all festivities from Halloween to Christmas.

In "Rocko, The Christmas Bat", Rocko is put up as a decoration for Halloween. Being overlooked, he is able to observe all that takes place following Halloween to include Thanksgiving and Christmas. Once exposed to the Christmas story, Rocko prayed that God would show him how he could help the family celebrate Jesus' birth as he had helped with Halloween. God answers Rocko's prayer by turning him into an angel the family uses on top of their tree.

Are you familiar with the expression "they cannot see the forest through the trees"? Halloween is the first of many holidays to come over the next few months that will present opportunities for Christians to share their faith with unchurched or de-churched (those who stopped going) people. The problem for many is that they don't see the people through the crowds. We can become overwhelmed with busy schedules, decorations, and events, but just as Rocko was able to see Jesus through the distractions, we must keep our focus on Him as well.

Paul commending believers at Philippi wrote, "I thank God...in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now. For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:3-6

We serve Him through our participation in the gospel. Halloween, any holiday, everyday make sure you are sharing the gospel in word and deed with each one you encounter.

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Mount Zion Baptist Church to Fall Youth Event on Saturday, Oct. 29th

Mount Zion Baptist Church, located at 774 County Rd. 223 [Mixon's Crossroads], New Brockton, Ala., will host a Fall Youth Event on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 5 - 8 p.m. There will be a bonfire (provided burn ban is lifted), hayride, sing-alongs, smores, marshmallow roast, and peanut boiling. Youth and adults of all ages are invited and encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Pastor Will Jordan at 334-308-7510.

Always Attend the Church of Your Choice!

Basin Baptist Church, located at 9757 Hwy 189, Elba, will have its Fall Festival activities on Sunday, Oct. 30, beginning at 4 p.m. This evening will also include a Pastor Appreciation celebration.

Games and activities for youngsters will be from 4-5:30 p.m. At 5:30 p.m. activities winners of the annual Men's Chili Cookoff Contest will be announced. All in attendance will then enjoy a chili supper and fellowship.

For more information, please visit alabamapublichealth.gov/imm

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Anyone age 60 or over needing a meal, or for questions about the Elba Senior Center or SARCOA, call the center at (334) 897-3019.

Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: A song and psalm for the sons of Korah [Psalm 48: 1-14]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Bobby Ordon, Oneather K. Smedley, James Moultry, Albert Walker, Rushie Culver, Larry Rogers, Yazmin McNair, Bill S. Kelley, Phillip Musgrove

drink it." Much as we might admire the ease that some people have with witty retorts, the wisdom of scripture urges a different approach. A put-down won't succeed in building up, but compassion and forgiveness will. —C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 10.27.22

True or False

Q: Peter stayed in Joppa with Simon who was a tanner.

A: True [Acts 9:43]

Q: Daniel prayed that God's anger be turned away from the city of Jerusalem.

A: True [Daniel 9:16]

Q: Paul told Timothy to fight the good fight of faith.

A: True [1 Timothy 6:12]

Thought to Remember

A little sin add to your trouble, subtracts from your energy, and multiplies your difficulties.

Questions for the Week of 11.3.22

Fill in the Blanks

Q: The king declared that _____ had sent _____ to rescue the three Israelites.

Q: Daniel confessed that _____ people had not listened to _____ servants the _____.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Elba's Community Thanksgiving Service planned for Nov. 20th

The Elba Ministerial Alliance will have a Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 6 p.m., at Elba United Methodist Church.

All clergy and churches are invited to take part in this time of thanksgiving.

For those who would like to participate or have



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LIFESTYLES

Syrup Making Workshop planned for Saturday, Oct. 29, in New Brockton

The Coffee County Farm City Committee will host the Alabama Syrup-Maker's Association for a Syrup Making Workshop this Saturday Oct. 29, beginning at 8 a.m., at the County Complex in New Brockton.

This hands-on workshop covers all aspects of making cane syrup. The fee to attend is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children ages 12 and under. Lunch will be

provided, and each participating adult will receive a bottle of cane syrup to take home.

Make checks payable to the Alabama Syrup-Makers Association. Pre-registration is required.

To register, call Earl Stokes, president, at 334-494-3037, Thomas Moore, vice-president, at 334-806-6769, or Glenn Dickerson, secretary, at 334-790-9235.

Newbia School Reunion set for Saturday, Nov. 12th

The Newbia School Reunion will be held again this year!

The reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Newbia Baptist Church fellowship hall. Fellowship will begin around 10 a.m., and a covered dish lunch

will be enjoyed at 12 noon. All those who attended Newbia School are invited and encouraged to attend.

This will be the first gathering since 2019. Contact Randle Hodge at (334) 282-3554 for more information.



INITIATION AT ELBA MASONIC LODGE...On Monday evening, Oct. 17, birthday cake was served at 6 p.m. followed by the initiation at 7 p.m. of William Justin Prescott into the Elba Masonic Lodge #170. Cake and fellowship was enjoyed by all present. Those pictured above include: (front, l to r) Jerome Blackmon, Daniel Stephens, Dale Stewart, Mike Amison, William Justin Prescott, W/M Wendell Black, Drexell Richards, Ronnie Rawls, Chris Sanders, Larry Shaw, and Jack Caradine; (back, l to r) Michael Phelps, Steven Sharpe, Steve Dewberry, TJ Gideon, Tommy Morrow, Shane Goude, Mike Murphy, Earl Smith, Heath Hornsby, Bo Sauls, and Joel Moore. Not pictured Eddie Kelley.

Elba Masonic Lodge conducting fundraiser

The members of the Elba Masonic Lodge #170 are selling tickets for two drawings of \$1,000 each to be given away Monday, Dec.

5, at the Elba Christmas Parade. Drawing will be held at the flowing well, which will be located on the downtown square.

This is a fundraiser for the lodge. Tickets are \$10 each or 11 tickets can be purchased for \$100.

For more information, contact W/M Wendell Black at (334) 372-0996; Secretary Harry Young at (334) 301-9590; or PGM Tommy Morrow at (334) 406-1130.

Local Senior Center looking for new participants

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Elba Chamber hosting event on Thursday, Nov. 3rd

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Linda Hodge

November 3, 2022

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The Elba Chamber of Commerce

The Elba Chamber of Commerce is hosting "An Evening With The Author" at Blessed Nutrition in Elba on Thursday evening, Nov. 3, at 6 p.m.

The featured author is Elba's own Linda Hodge, and she will be discussing her Tales from Yonder book - Tales from Yonder: Growing Up with Cuzin' Lou Lou. Born and raised in Elba, Hodge is Editor of The Elba Clipper.

"We invite you to come hear about this compilation of humorous stories from the 'Yonder Gang', which is inspired by a weekly column published in The Elba Clipper," said Sandy Williams, executive director of the Chamber. "You can laugh away and let your imagination take you down some truly funny stories with Cuzin' Lou Lou and her family and friends."

The reception will begin at 6 p.m., and at approximately 6:30 p.m. the author will speak, to include a 'reading' from her book.

All are invited to attend this event.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS...

On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 16, a Blessing of the Animals service was held at the Dog Park in downtown Elba. Pastor Steve Reneau, Elba United Methodist Church, led the service, and he offered a special prayer of blessing for each animal at the event. Both pet dogs and cats attended this special event with their owners (as shown above). The Elba Dog Park is located next to Tiger Town Park in Elba, and there are separate running areas for small and large dogs. There is no charge to utilize the park.

LUNCLEON PILOTS LEARNED ABOUT CPR...

Patrick Alford, Paramedic Supervisor with Enterprise Rescue Squad, spoke recently to the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise about the latest CPR techniques. Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is an unexpected loss of heart function, breathing and consciousness; blood stops flowing to the brain, heart and rest of the body and requires immediate treatment. Time is of the essence when an unconscious person is not breathing. Permanent brain damage can begin after only four minutes without oxygen and death can occur as soon as four to six minutes later. Immediately begin hands-only CPR and use an AED/defibrillator when available. Shown in photo (from left) Alford and LPCE President Brandy Woodham. To schedule a hands-on class of CPR for a group, contact Alford at 334-494-0323. To find out how to join the Luncheon Pilot Club, contact Membership Chair Gina Oates, 334-494-5980 or ginaoates686@outlook.com.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JOHN G. FOLEY
Deceased

CASE NO: PC 2022-066

NOTICE OF GRANTING OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Chris Foley, as Personal Representative of the Estate of John G. Foley, deceased, on the 4th day of October, 2022, by

the Honorable Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Chris Foley
Chris Foley
Personal Representative of the Estate of
John G Foley, deceased
10/13/20, 27-pd'

PUBLIC AUCTION
In accordance with S32 Chapter 13 codes of Alabama 1975, the follow-

ing vehicles will be sold at auction on Wednesday, November 22, 2022 @ 8:00 a.m. at Batten's Paint & Body, 1252 Geneva Hwy, Enterprise, AL 36330. 2014 Chevrolet Malibu V.I.N (1G11H5SL7EF286279) 10/20,27-chg

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Waterworks and Sewer Board of the Town of New Brockton has filed an application with ADEM for State Revolving Loan and American Rescue Funds to replace small and problematic water mains along CR 544 and CR 536. They have also applied for fund-

ing to add chlorination and de-chlorination equipment at their wastewater treatment plant. A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. at the New Brockton Town Hall located at 706 E McKinnon St, New Brockton, AL 36351 to acquaint citizens with the scope of the overall project. There will be a discussion on such items as economic and environmental impact, service area, alternatives, and other issues involving the project.
10/20,27 and 11/3,10-chg

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FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

FUND BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 2021	29,383,686.84
REVENUES:	
STATE	21,364,085.77
FEDERAL	7,053,678.90
LOCAL	7,169,258.60
OTHER	68,807.60
TOTAL REVENUES	35,655,830.87
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
FUND TRANSFERS IN	1,313,527.27
OTHER SOURCES	2,492,590.86
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	3,806,118.13
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	39,461,949.00
EXPENDITURES:	
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	16,293,222.86
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES	4,383,662.52
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	2,940,703.42
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INTEREST	550,168.46
OTHER DEBT SERVICES	0.00
OTHER EXPENDITURES	1,021,557.10
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	35,365,514.59
OTHER FUND USES:	
FUND TRANSFERS OUT	1,313,527.27
OTHER FUND USES	0.00
TOTAL OTHER FUND USES	1,313,527.27
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FUND USES	36,679,041.86
ENDING FUND BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2022	32,166,593.98

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF AND IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, ELBA, ALABAMA.

SUPERINTENDENT, COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

KELLY COBB

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS THE 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022

NOTARY PUBLIC

SHANNON ODOM

Coffee County School System
FY2022 Schedule of Debt

Original Amount	Year Borrowed	Anticipated Date of Liquidation	FY2022 Principal Paid	FY2022 Interest Paid	Balance remaining as of 9/30/22	Revenue and Fund Source used for payment	Description/Purpose of Debt	Lender
\$1,235,114.64	2014	2026	\$111,481.80	\$26,103.16	\$486,322.32	Public School Funds	Capital Improvement Refunding Bond	PSCA
\$614,859.26	2015	2029	\$55,403.20	\$23,553.46	\$429,019.63	Public School Funds	Capital Improvement Refunding Bond	PSCA
\$3,752,090.00	2009 QSCB	2025	\$0.00	\$68,974.80	\$2,624,271.53	Public School Funds	Capital Improvement Bond	PSCA
\$999,300.00	2011 Q2AB	2026	\$0.00	\$2,622.00	\$985,145.47	Local Funds	Capital Improvement Bond	PSCA
\$1,245,000.00	2017 Q2AB	2032	\$83,000.00	\$0.00	\$830,000.00	Local Funds	Capital Improvement Bond	Regions Bank
\$14,110,000.00	2020 WARRANT	2045	\$198,333.36	\$427,915.04	\$13,591,666.62	Local Funds	Capital Improvement Bond/Warrant	Winington Trust
\$21,953,273.90			\$448,218.36	\$550,168.46	\$18,626,425.57			

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE SCHEDULE OF DEBT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF AND IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, ELBA, ALABAMA.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2020, the people of Alabama ratified Amendment 951 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, authorizing the Alabama Legislature, during its 2022 Regular Session, to draft a recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901;

WHEREAS Amendment 951 confines the draft recompilation to arranging the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 into proper articles, parts, and sections; removing all racist language; deleting duplicative and repealed provisions; consolidating provisions regarding economic development; and arranging all local amendments by county of application; and the draft may make "no other changes";

WHEREAS Amendment 951 further requires any such draft recompilation to be submitted to the voters upon approval, through a joint resolution, by a three-fifths vote of each house of the Legislature;

WHEREAS the Legislature at its 2022 Regular Session enacted a joint resolution by the requisite three-fifths vote approving a "Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022" and specifically finding that it complies with Amendment 951 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, see Ala. Act No. 2022-111;

WHEREAS the full text of the Proposed Constitution of 2022 is published on the website of the Secretary of State as required by Amendment 951 and is available for viewing at <http://alison.legislature.state.al.us/proposed-2022-constitution>;

WHEREAS, in conformity with Amendment 951 and other applicable provisions of Alabama law, the Legislature has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the State upon ratification of the Proposed Constitution of 2022 to be held at the 2022 general election; and

WHEREAS, upon ratification of the proposed Constitution of 2022 by a majority of the qualified electors of this State voting on the question of ratification, the Proposed Constitution of 2022 shall succeed the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 as the supreme law of this State in accordance with Amendment 951;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, an election will be held in the State of Alabama in the manner and form provided by law upon the question of ratification of the proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022, which has been certified by the Secretary of State to appear on ballots as follows:

"Shall the following Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 be ratified?"

**PROPOSED
CONSTITUTION TO
APPEAR ON THE
BALLOT STATEWIDE
CONSTITUTION OF
ALABAMA OF 2022**

Proposing adoption of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, which is a recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, prepared in accordance with Amendment 951, arranging the constitution in proper articles, parts, and sections, removing racist language, deleting duplicated and repealed provisions, consolidating provisions regarding economic development, arranging all local amendments by county of application, and making no other changes. (Proposed by Act 2022-111)

() YES
() NO

STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Alabama Legislature at its 2021 and 2022 Regular Sessions enacted Act No. 2021-199 (SB74), Act No. 2021-201 (HB131), Act No. 2021-202 (SB68), Act No. 2021-284 (HB388), Act No. 2021-327 (HB178), Act No. 2022-117 (HB255), Act No. 2022-177 (HB319), Act No. 2022-256 (SB196), Act No. 2022-286 (HB458), and Act No. 2022-288 (HB148), proposing amendments to the

Constitution of Alabama of 1901;

WHEREAS, in conformity with Section 284 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, the Legislature has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the state upon such proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS notice of this election, together with the proposed amendments, is required by law to be given by proclamation of the Governor, which shall be published once a week for at least four successive weeks immediately preceding the day appointed for the election;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, an election will be held in the State of Alabama in the manner and form provided by law upon the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of 1901 of the State of Alabama:

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-199**

(a) This amendment shall apply only in Shelby County.

(b) Except as provided for in subsection (c), any private entity and any privately owned plant, property, or facility for the collection, treatment, or disposal of sewage that uses, directly or through a lease or contract, public rights-of-way of public roads for any part of its collection or disposal system, that discharges to a Grade III or higher wastewater treatment facility as defined in and by the current classification system used by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management on January 1, 2020, and its equivalent classification thereafter, and that has residential or commercial customers that are billed a flat service fee or fee based on water usage, hereinafter referred to as utility or utilities, shall be certified and regulated by the Public Service Commission, which regulation shall include, but not be limited to, regulation of the rates, charges, and increases in rates or charges imposed on its customers. The Public Service Commission shall certify and regulate the entities, plants, facilities, and utilities affected hereby, based on and in accordance with Title 37, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. Implementation of this amendment, whether gradual or at one time, shall be determined by the Public Service Commission. Until the Public Service Commission determines applicable rates and charges to be imposed on customers, the rates and charges shall be in accord with and governed by the most recent and controlling rate control agreement or in the event there is not a controlling rate control agreement, that utility's most recent published rate.

(c) If the county, a municipality, or a governmental utility service corporation (GUSC) in the county enters into a rate control agreement with an entity or facility described in subsection (b), the county, municipality, or GUSC may opt out of regulation by the Public Service Commission as to and for any residential or commercial customers affected by and are subject to the rate control agreement. In the event a rate control agreement or any part thereof is found to be invalid, or is terminated by the county, municipality, or GUSC that entered into the rate control agreement, or becomes unenforceable or void in whole or in part, then the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission and the provisions in subsection (b) pertaining to regulation by the Public Service Commission shall by operation of law be restored and enforced to the full force and effect of this amendment.

(d) In the event Public Service Commission jurisdiction is restored after the county, municipality, or GUSC has exercised its opt-out provision provided in subsection (c) and has voluntarily terminated the rate control agreement, the county, municipality, or GUSC may not again exercise its power to opt out of Public Service Commission jurisdiction and rate control for a period of five years from the date

Public Service Commission jurisdiction is reinstated.

(e) In the event that an entity, plant, property, or facility serves customers located in more than one municipality, the opt-out option provided in subsection (c) shall vest with the municipality that has a rate control agreement executed as of or prior to January 1, 2021, subject to approval of the Shelby County Commission.

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-201**

Part I. This amendment shall be known and may be cited as Aniah's Law.

Part II. Section 16 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 16 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Section 16.

"That all persons shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses, when the proof is evident or the presumption great unless charged with an offense enumerated by the Legislature by general law capital murder, as provided in Section 13A-5-40, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; murder, as provided in Section 13A-6-2, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; kidnapping in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-43, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; rape in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-61, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; sodomy in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-63, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; sexual torture, as provided in Section 13A-6-65.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; domestic violence in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; human trafficking in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-6-152, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; burglary in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-7-5, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; arson in the first degree, as provided in Section 13A-7-41, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; terrorism, as provided in subdivision (b) (2) of Section 13A-10-152, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; and aggravated child abuse, as provided in subsection (b) of Section 26-15-3.1, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended; and that excessive bail shall not in any case be required."

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2021-202**

Section 6.06 of Amendment 328, as amended by Amendment 364, of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 144 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Amendment 364.

"Section 6.06. Probate court.

"There shall be a probate court in each county which that shall have general jurisdiction of orphans' business, and of adoptions; and with the power to grant letters testamentary, and of administration, and of guardianships, and shall have such further jurisdiction as may be provided by law, provided, that whenever the circuit court has taken jurisdiction of the settlement of any estate, it shall have power to do all things necessary for the settlement of such estate, including the appointment and removal of administrators, executors, guardians, and trustees and including action upon the resignation of either of them."

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Recompiled Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, for the payment of bonds and the interest thereon, may levy and collect such ad valorem tax at a rate not exceeding the millage rate then lawfully permitted to be levied and collected by the municipality to directly pay the costs of public capital improvements, as well as to pay the principal of and interest on bonds, warrants, or other securities issued to finance or refinance the costs of the improvements; and any levy and collection of such ad valorem tax for these purposes by the municipality prior to the ratification of this amendment is hereby ratified, validated, and confirmed.

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-117**

The state, a county, or a municipality is authorized to grant federal award funds or any other source of funding designated for broadband infrastructure by state law to any public or private entity for the purpose of providing or expanding broadband infrastructure. The granting of funds by a county or a municipality to a private entity pursuant to this section must be approved at a public meeting held by the appropriate county or municipality.

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-177**

Contingent upon the ratification of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022:

(a) The Code Commissioner shall number and place any constitutional amendment ratified on the date of ratification of this amendment as appropriate in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, based upon a logical sequence and the particular subject or topic of the amendment.

(b)(1) Any judicial decision interpreting a provision of the Alabama Constitution of 1901, shall remain valid as to the appropriate provision in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, that has not been substantively changed by the Constitution of Alabama of 2022. Any case annotation to any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, compiled and published prior to the ratification of this amendment shall apply to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, as authorized by Amendment 951.

(2) The Code Commissioner shall instruct the publisher of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to transfer, organize, and otherwise arrange annotations to the same or renumbered sections of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, except to the extent substantively changed.

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-256**

(a)(1) The governor shall have power to Governor may grant reprieves and commutations to persons under sentence of death.

(2) The power to grant a reprieve or commutation under subdivision (1) shall not be exercised until the Governor has notified the Attorney General and has made reasonable efforts to notify a designated member of the victim's family, whose mailing address, e-mail, and phone number have been provided to the Governor by the Attorney General for this purpose.

(3) Failure to provide the required notification under subdivision (2) shall void the reprieve or commutation, and the Attorney General may seek a new execution order from the Alabama Supreme Court as provided under existing law.

(b) The legislature shall have power to Legislature may provide for and to regulate the administration of pardons, paroles, remission of fines and forfeitures, and may authorize the courts having criminal jurisdiction to suspend sentence and to order probation.

(c) No pardon shall relieve a person from civil and political disabilities unless specifically expressed in the pardon.

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-286**

"Amendment 772

"(a) The governing body of any county, and the governing body of

any municipality located therein, for which a local constitutional amendment has not been adopted authorizing any of the following: a county or municipality shall have full and continuing power to do any of the following:

"(1) Use public funds to purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire real property, buildings, plants, factories, facilities, machinery, and equipment of any kind, or to utilize the properties heretofore purchased or otherwise acquired on or before adoption of this amendment, and to improve and develop the properties for use as sites for industry of any kind or as industrial park projects, including, but not limited to, grading and the construction of roads, drainage, sewers, sewage and waste disposal systems, parking areas, and utilities to serve the sites or projects.

"(2) Lease, sell, grant, exchange, or otherwise convey, on terms approved by the governing body of the county or the municipality, as applicable, all or any part of any real property, buildings, plants, factories, facilities, machinery, and equipment of any kind or industrial park project to any individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity, public or private, including any industrial development board or other public corporation or authority heretofore or hereafter created by the county or the municipality before or after adoption of this amendment, for the purpose of constructing, developing, equipping, and operating industrial, commercial, research, or service facilities of any kind.

"(3) Lend its credit to, or grant public funds and things of value in aid of, or to, any individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity, public or private, for the purpose of promoting the economic and industrial development of the county or the municipality.

"(4) Become indebted and issue bonds, warrants which may be payable from funds to be realized in future years, notes, or other obligations, or evidences of indebtedness to an aggregate outstanding principal amount not exceeding an amount equal to 50 percent of the assessed value of taxable property therein as determined for state taxation, in order to secure funds for the purchase, construction, lease, or acquisition of any of the property described in subdivision (1), or to be used in furtherance of any of the other powers or authorities granted in this amendment. The obligations or evidences of indebtedness may be issued upon the full faith and credit of the county or any municipality or may be limited as to the source of their payment.

"(b) The recital in any bonds, warrants, notes, or other obligations, or evidences of indebtedness that they were issued pursuant to this amendment, or that they were issued to provide funds to be used in furtherance of any power or authority herein authorized shall be conclusive, and no purchaser or holder thereof need inquire further. The bonds, warrants, notes, or other obligations or evidences of indebtedness issued hereunder shall not be considered do not constitute an indebtedness of the county or any municipality for the purpose of determining the borrowing capacity of the county or municipality under this Constitution.

"(c) In carrying out the purpose of this amendment, neither the county nor any municipality located therein a county or a municipality shall not be subject to Section 93 or 94 of this Constitution or be required to comply with Section 222 of this Constitution. Each public corporation heretofore Section 93 or 94 of this Constitution, nor shall a county or municipality be required to comply with the provisions of Section 222 of this Constitution; unless issuing general obligation bond instruments establishing a requirement for repayment. Each public corporation created by the county or by any municipality located therein on or before the adoption of this amendment, including specifically any industrial development board incorporated under Article 4 of Chapter 54

of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, and any industrial development authority incorporated or reincorporated under Chapter 92A of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, and the Shoals Economic Development Authority enacted under Act No. 95-512, 1995 Regular Session, are validated and the powers granted to the board or authority under its respective enabling legislation are validated, notwithstanding any other provision of law or of this Constitution. The powers granted by this amendment may be exercised as an exclusive alternative to, or cumulative with, and in no way restrictive of, powers otherwise granted by this Constitution or any law to the county, or to any municipality, or to any agency, board, or authority created pursuant to the laws of this state.

"(c)(d) Neither the county nor any municipality located therein shall lend its credit to, or grant any public funds or thing of value to, or in aid of, any private entity under the authority of this amendment unless prior thereto to doing so, both of the following are satisfied:

"(1) The action proposed to be taken by the county or municipality is approved at a public meeting of the governing body of the county or municipality, as the case may be, by a resolution containing a determination by the governing body that the expenditure of public funds for the purpose specified will serve a valid and sufficient public purpose, notwithstanding any incidental benefit accruing to any private entity or entities.

"(2) At least seven days prior to the public meeting, a notice is published in the a newspaper having the largest circulation in circulation in the county or municipality, as the case may be, describing in reasonable detail the action proposed to be taken, a description of the public benefits sought to be achieved by the action, and identifying each individual, firm, corporation, or other business entity to whom, or for whose benefit, the county or the municipality proposes to lend its credit or grant public funds or thing of value.

"(e) For purposes of the foregoing, any sale, lease, or other disposition of property for a price equal to the its fair market value thereof shall not constitute the lending of credit or a grant of public funds or thing of value in aid of a private entity.

"(f) Nothing in this amendment shall authorize the county commission to own or operate a cable television system.

"(g) Any action taken, or agreement made, under Amendment 772 by any county or municipality prior to the date this amendment is ratified and confirmed in all respects as of that date, except to the extent that its validity is being challenged in appropriate judicial proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction on the date this amendment is ratified. This amendment These amendatory provisions shall have prospective application only. Any local constitutional amendments previously adopted and any local law enacted pursuant to such amendment shall remain in full force and effect."

**AMENDMENT
PROPOSED BY
ACT NO. 2022-288**

(a) This amendment shall apply only in Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County.

(b) Any privately owned plant, property, or facility used for the collection, treatment, or disposal of sewage that uses, directly or through a lease or contract, public rights-of-way of public roads for any part of its collection or disposal system and that has residential or commercial customers located in the city limits of Lake View in Tuscaloosa County and Jefferson County that are billed a flat service fee or fee based on water usage shall be certified and regulated by the Public Service Commission, beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027, in relation to all of the customers of the entity located in the city limits of Lake View in Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County, and in the unincorporated areas of Tuscaloosa County.

SPORTS NEWS

Views From
The Pressbox
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Since volleyball season ended our grandson Lawson only visits one day a week, and while we talk with him almost every day it is hard not seeing the little man every afternoon. We know he is just a short ride away and his Nanny tries to talk with him every day, but it just isn't the same after having him with us every afternoon for nine weeks. Oh well, the highs and lows of being a grandparent!

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers went into last week's region match-up with Pleasant Home knowing what they needed to do and did just that as they disposed of the out-manned Eagles 48-6 to win the region title and secure the home-field advantage in the playoffs. The Elba offense scored on its first six possessions to open up a 42-0 halftime lead and then turned things over to the reserves to mop up the easy road win. Alvin Henderson and JT Coleman combined to rush for 230 yards and five touchdowns in the first half and then stayed on the sidelines during what little bit of a second half it was with the clock never stopping and the final two quarters being only eight minutes. The Tigers still have a lot of work to do if they hope to contend for a state title, but so far this season they have done whatever it took to get the win on their side of the board and in their minds will no doubt get it done.

*** It was a so-so week for the teams in the area as Zion Chapel and Brantley both posted wins and Kinston and New Brockton continued to stumble. ** The Rebels pulled off the play of the year with an on-sides kick from their own 20-yardline after a safety to keep their hopes alive and then went seventy yards and won the game with just twenty-two seconds left on the clock in a 22-16 region victory over Abbeville. It had to be one of the biggest wins for Zion Chapel in years and should make the players believe in their coaches and that they are indeed on the way back. ** Brantley was the homecoming guest at Red Level and let the students go to the dance early in a 34-6 win. The Bulldogs were effective both running and passing, and just kept doing what they do best - winning. ** New Brockton battled for all four quarters in a 34-14 loss to 5A Headland. The Gamecocks didn't look like the team that has lost 13 straight games and maybe will realize that when they play well they do have a shot at winning. ** Kinston held its own with high-scoring Florala for two quarters in a wild 56-30 region loss that knocked the Bulldogs out of playoff contention. The 'Dogs had high hopes after last year's record breaking season, but found out once again that the past is just a memory, especially in sports.

*** While taking a look at last week's high school football results there were a number of games that caught my eye, including Class 7A Enterprise's 33-14 win over Jeff Davis as all of the sudden the Wildcats look like their late-season surge may pay off with a number three seed in the region. Dothan posted a 14-7 upset win over suddenly struggling Opelika, and while the win helped the Tigers fans feel better about the season, it looks like they will be sitting at home when the post-season party gets kicked off. In Class 6A a lot of TV sets in Elba were tuned in for the Pike Road-Carver game to watch former Tiger coach Ed Rigby's team in action, but had little to get excited about as the Patriots record slipped to 5-4 and probably made Rigby's seat a little warm with a 22-19 loss. In Class 5A, Charles Henderson wrapped up an 8-1 regular season with a 37-26 win over the very good Selma Saints. The Trojans are still probably a year or two from being a real state title contender, but they have made huge strides and are already a team to keep an eye on. One surprise was Demopolis clobbering once-proud Greenville 55-0, while Carroll lost to Valley 12-6 and Rehobeth defeated Shelby County 23-12. In the Class 4A ranks, top-ranked Montgomery Catholic outscored Andalusia 21-0 in the second half to down the previously undefeated Bulldogs 45-23, in Andalusia, and probably brought the 'Dogs and their fanatics back down to earth. Geneva continued to be a .500 club

40-13 loss to Montgomery Academy, but Slocomb did get a much needed 42-6 win over Bullock County. Over in Class 3A, Opp wrapped up the second seed in the region with a surprisingly easy 38-14 win over Straughn, while Houston Academy remained unbeaten with a 42-7 romp past Providence Christian and Pike County pounded Daleville 63-6. Down in Class 2A, Reeltown knocked off #2 Highland Home 8-7 to win the region, while Arton coasted past Samson 37-21, G.W. Long locked up the number two seed in its region with a 42-35 win over Wicksburg and Cottonwood clinched a playoff berth with a 32-28 win over Geneva County. In Class 1A, Millry stunned #2 Leroy 36-14 to claim the number one seed in its region.

*** Taking a quick look at the region standings it was a shock to see Enterprise all of the sudden penciled in as the number three seed in its region, while Pike Road earned the number two seed in its region despite a loss to Carver and a 5-4 record; Charles Henderson gets the week off after improving to 8-1 and being the region champ in its six-team region; Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, earned the number three seed in its region and will advance to the post-season for the second time in school history; Straughn, Pike County and Providence Christian are all fighting for the final two spots in their region after nine weeks of action; Cottonwood earned a playoff berth for the first time since 2014; and, if Georgiana can defeat Pleasant Home the Panthers will make the playoffs just one year after posting an 0-10 record.

*** It was a winning week for the colleges of most state fans as Alabama spanked Mississippi State 30-6 and Troy survived a 10-7 defensive struggle with South Alabama. The Crimson Tide didn't exactly wow anyone on offense and had a season low in total offense, but did what it had to do to get the win and again dominated Coach Mike Leach's 'air raid offense.' Maybe Coach Nick Saban is not as 'lousy' as self-proclaimed sports prophet Paul Finebaum declared earlier in the week! Down in Mobile, it was once again the Trojan defense that led the way to the win as Troy moved into sole possession of the top spot in its division of the Sun Belt Conference. If the Trojans can find an offense they may surprise even more people.

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator was still shaking his head about how quick the second half went in last week's Elba win over Pleasant Home and laughed that they should have just called off the game at the half and let everyone go home. The local guesspert hit on 25 of his 31 picks last week to continue another banner season and left this week's picks. Here goes....

ELBA VS. MCKENZIE

The Pea River felines will be back on another late-season hike this weekend and hope to discover the lair of a litter of kitties and get back out of town before it gets too late. The hometown kitties may scratch and claw for a while, but in the end the felines should had back home with another region win.

ELBA 44 MCKENZIE 24

Tigers expect a catfight in McKenzie

The Elba Tigers will be looking to put the finishing touches on a rare 10-win regular season on Friday night when they travel to McKenzie for a region clash with the McKenzie Tigers.

The Tigers have won over 600 games in their rich football history, but have posted a 10-0 regular season record only six times, with a win this week putting the 2022 team in elite company in the record books.

"We certainly want to close out the regular season with a win and will go to McKenzie this week looking to end the regular season on a high note," said Elba Tiger head coach Marc Sieving. "It will be a long bus ride for the second straight week and the team will need to remain focused on the job at hand and be ready to play when it steps off the bus."

"McKenzie doesn't have a very good record," added Sieving, "but they were without their best back for most of the season and have really been scoring some points since he has returned. They are well coached, do what they do very well and will no doubt let it all hang out Friday night in the regular season finale. On offense they have a big back that has good speed and really packs a punch, and they can also throw the ball with success. Over on defense they run to the football and love to hit. This game will be their playoff game after a disappointing season and we expect to get their nest shot for all four quarters."

McKenzie is coached by longtime Georgiana head coach Ezell Powell and has scored an average of 23 points per game and allowed 40 points per game. Its lone win came over Kinston 38-22, while the losses were to

KINSTON VS. HOUSTON COUNTY

The bulldogs from down near the county line will make the long ride over near the state line looking to chase away a litter of kitties that are hanging our near the city graveyard. While the dogs aren't barking quite as loud as earlier in the season, they should have enough voice left to scare off the kitties.

KINSTON 34 HOUSTON COUNTY 28

BRANTLEY VS. FLORALA

The bulldogs from up across the creek will head down near the state line looking to reserve their place at the post-season party and better bring along their running shoes since their hosts like to run up and down the field and put points on the scoreboard. This one looks like a shootout on paper, but games aren't played on paper and the guess here is that the bulldogs will punch their ticket.

BRANTLEY 47 FLORALA 26

ZION CHAPEL VS. REELTOWN

The troops from up at Fort Jack will be looking to ambush a regiment of hard-nosed soldiers from the central part of the state and close out the season on a roll. The troops will put up a good fight, but the visitors may have too much ammunition.

REELTOWN 28 ZION CHAPEL 7

NEW BROCKTON VS. NORTHSIDE METHODIST

The roosters from over behind the dollar store will hitch-hike over to the circle city this weekend looking to close out the season with a much-needed win over a group of knights that at times have swung a mean ball and chain. The roosters will be determined to upset the hometown men in armor, but the guess here is the season ends just in time.

NORTHSIDE METHODIST 31 NEW BROCKTON 21

OTHER PICKS:

Pike Lib 52 Calhoun 0.
Slocomb 34 Geneva County 21
Opp 35 Ashford 12
Headland 28 Cottonwood 7
Georgiana 41 Pleasant Home 1
Verbena 56 A.L. Johnson 0
Rehobeth 17 G.W. Long 16
Red Level 20 Samson 16
Houston Academy 24 Pike County 17
Straughn 24 Providence Christian 14
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Carroll 22 St. James 17
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Central PC 35 Prattville 21
Dothan 41 Jeff Davis 18
Enterprise 38 R.E. Lee 14

Georgiana 28-0, Brantley 42-6, Pleasant Home 25-20, Red Level 25-24, J.U. Blacksher 47-24, Florala 72-38 and Houston County 56-34.

"Records mean more to the fans than the players and coaches," added Sieving, "and I guarantee you no one on their side of the field Friday night will care about what their record is. This is just the next game for McKenzie and they will get the chance to knock off the region champs and go out with a bang. We will have to be ready, will have to play with emotion and need to get off to a fast start to take their emotion out of the game. On offense we will need to run hard, block well and mix in the pass to keep them honest, while over on defense we will need to tackle well, get after the football and win the line of scrimmage. We made some improvements last week in the win over Pleasant Home on both sides of the ball, but still made too many mistakes and missed too many tackles. We have to cut down on pre-snap penalties, especially on the defensive line, and do what we have been working on for the past five months."

"I believe McKenzie will have a good game plan and will come out ready to play," said Coach Sieving, in his third year at the Elba helm. "We expect to get their best shot and believe we have to play our best for all four quarters to be successful. We can't get caught looking at the rankings and can't be satisfied being region champs. There are eight region champs in every class and one state champ. That tells you just because you may win a region title there is still a lot of football to be played."

Junior High
BASKETBALL
SCHEDULES

Thursday, October 27
New Brockton at Elba (G-B) 4:30
Zion Chapel at Arton (G-B) 3:30

Saturday, October 29
Brantley Tournament

Monday, October 31
Arton at Elba (G-B) 4:30
Rehobeth at Kinston (G-B) 5:00

Tuesday, November 1
Elba at Dauphin (G-B) 4:30
Opp at New Brockton (G-B) 4:30
Brantley at Goshen (G-B) 4:30
Samson at Zion Chapel (G-B) 4:30

Thursday, November 3
Kinston at New Brockton (G-B) 4:30
Brantley at Highland Home (G-B) 4:30
Zion Chapel at G.W. Long (G-B) 5:00

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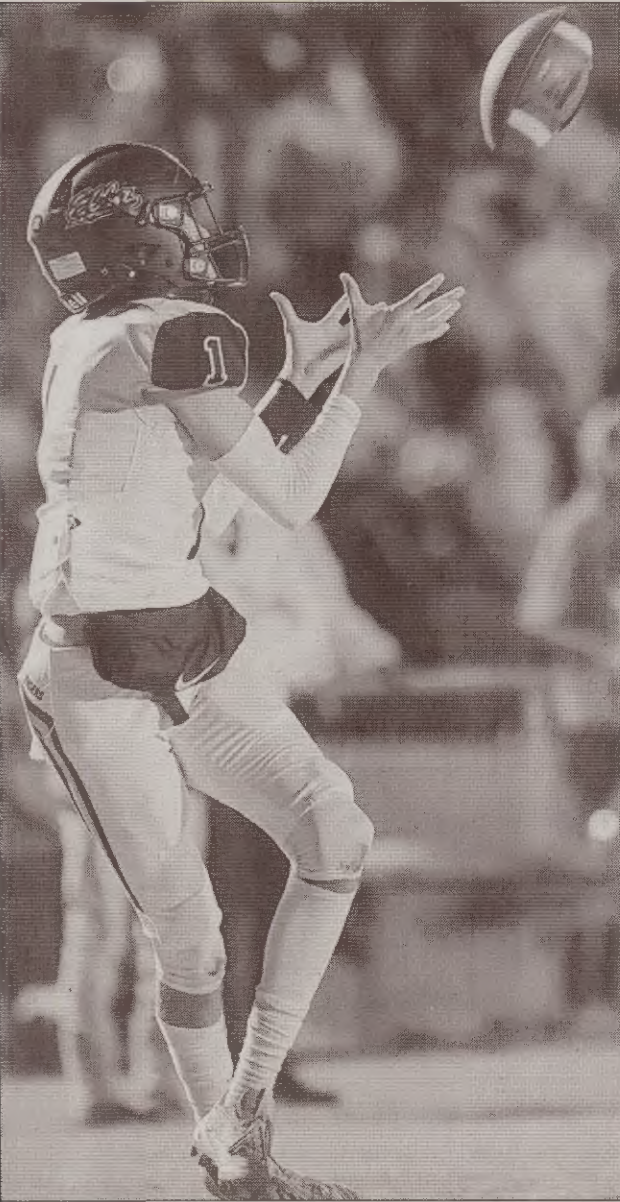
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PLAYERS RECOGNIZED AT ELBA QUARTERBACK CLUB MEETING...The Elba Quarterback Club 'game day' lunch meeting Friday, Oct. 21, included the recognition of two players, Logan Horton (61) and Jamal Siler (64). Coach Marc Sieving spoke highly of both players as he described their dedication to helping the team be successful this season. The QB Club will meet this Friday, Oct. 28, at 11:40 a.m. at the Elba Country Club. Those in attendance will hear a game recap from Elba's win last week over Pleasant Home while Coach Sieving also will talk about expectations for this week's contest against McKenzie. The Tigers wrapped up the Region Championship last week.

SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger Colin Arnold (1) reaches back to pull in a 53-yard touchdown pass in last week's 48-6 region win over Pleasant Home.



Elba Tiger Alex Wisecup (3) kicks after an Elba touchdown in last week's region win over Pleasant Home.



Elba Tiger Cassidy Carpenter (19) is off and running. Carpenter rushed for 62 yards and one touchdown in last week's region win.



Elba Tiger Kyle Smith (56) applies pressure to the Pleasant Home quarterback and forces an errant throw in last week's 48-6 win.



Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (2) pushes away a would-be Eagle defender. Henderson rushed for 146 yards and 4 touchdowns in the first half of the win.

Tigers coast past Eagles 48-6

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers wrapped up the region title and improved their record to 9-0 Friday night with an easy 48-6 region road win over the Pleasant Home Eagles.

Elba's Ty Sieving recovered a Pleasant Home fumble at the Eagles 48-yardline on an on-sides kick to open the game and from there it took the Tigers five plays to reach the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 24 yards on two carries during the quick scoring march and scored the touchdown on a 2-yard run off tackle. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point as the Tigers jumped ahead 7-0 with 10:15 still left in the first quarter.

Elba regained possession at its own 47-yardline midway through the first quarter on a fumble recovery by Kyle Smith, and this time it took the Tigers just one play to get back in the endzone, with the score coming on a 53-yard halfback pass from Alvin Henderson to Collin Arnold. Alex Wisecup again added the extra-point as the Tigers moved in front 14-0 with 7:05 remaining in the quarter.

Elba began its next offensive series at its own 35-yardline after an Eagle punt and went 65 yards in three plays to extend its lead. A 39-yard run by JT Coleman got the scoring drive off to a fast start, while Alvin Henderson capped the drive with a 15-yard touchdown jaunt. Wisecup's extra-point try was true, as the Tigers lead grew to 21-0 with 1:53 still left in the first quarter.

The Tigers got the ball back at their own 26-yardline following another Eagle punt and needed only three plays to cover the 74 yards to the endzone. Cody Gray had a 24-yard run to open the scoring drive, while Alvin Henderson rushed twice for 50 yards and scored his third touchdown of the half on a 27-yard dash. Wisecup was again true with the extra-point and with 8:52 left in the second quarter Elba owned a 28-0 advantage.

Elba put the ball in play at the Pleasant Home 39-yardline midway through the quarter after a short Eagle punt and this time it took the Tigers just one play to add to its lead, as on the first play of the possession JT Coleman went up the middle and raced 39 yards for a score. Wisecup again added the extra-point as the Tigers lead grew to 35-0 with 6:58 left in the quarter.

The Tigers next offensive series began at the Pleasant Home 34-yardline after a 31-yard punt return by Cameron Gray, and three plays later the Tigers were right back in the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 39 yards on two carries and capped the short scoring drive with a 1-yard run, and Wisecup kicked the extra-point to push the Tigers lead to 42-0 with 4:19 left in the half.

The second half consisted of two eight-minute quarters with a running clock and resulted in only three offensive series.

Elba had the first possession of the half and led by the running of Cassidy Carpenter and Brady Johnson reached a first down at the Pleasant Home 25-yardline before a

13-yard loss on a fumble killed the scoring threat.

Pleasant Home found success against the Elba reserves and after the defensive stop went 77 yards in four plays to get on the scoreboard. Josh Hawkins scored the Eagle touchdown on a 55-yard scamper down the sidelines with 5:21 remaining in the fourth quarter, and after the extra-point try failed the Eagles found themselves down 42-6.

Elba began its final possession of the night at the Pleasant Home 25-yardline after a long kickoff return by Jerrod Anderson, and covered the distance in four plays to score its final points of the game. The touchdown came on a 16-yard run by Cassidy Carpenter on the game's final play, and put the wraps on the big 48-6 region road win.

Alvin Henderson rushed for 146 yards and 4 touchdowns on nine carries and tossed a 53-yard touchdown pass to lead the Tigers offense, while JT Coleman added 84 yards and one td on just three carries, Cassidy Carpenter rushed for 62 yards and one td on seven carries, and Collin Arnold caught one pass for 53 yards and one td. On defense, the Tigers were paced by Cayden Adkins with 4 tackles and a forced fumble, while Austin Aguilar, Lakai Reynolds, Jacob Watkins and Cameron Gray all added three stops.

Josh Hawkins led the Eagles on the ground with 77 yards and one touchdown on eight carries, while Mason Anderson rushed for 35 yards on 11 carries and completed 6 of 16 passes, with one interception, for 48 yards, with Ty Clark pulling in two passes for 21 yards and Lukas Gatewood having two receptions for 13 yards.

The yardstick....

EL		PH
15	1st Downs	10
29-350	Rushes-Yds.	20-113
53	Passing Yds.	48
403	Total Offense	161
1-2-0	Passes	6-16-1
1/0	Fumbles/Lost	3/2
0-00	Punts-Ave.	4-28
9-55	Penalties-Yds.	2-15



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SPORTS NEWS



Brantley Bulldog Robert Shine (7) follows teammate Romeo Presseley (77) around the corner after taking a handoff from Jayden Parks (1). The Bulldogs will host Florala this week in their regular season finale with the number two seed in the region on the line.

Kinston clawed by 'Cats 56-30

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
Photos by Linda Hodge

The Kinston Bulldogs matched the high-scoring Florala Wildcats point for point for much of the first half last Thursday night in a big region road contest, but ran out of gas in the second half and could only watch as the Wildcats pulled away to hand the Bulldogs a 56-30 defeat.

Florala scored on its initial possession of the game on an 18-yard pass from

John Howell to Greasham Christian to grab a 6-0 lead with 5:27 left in the first quarter, only to see Kinston come right back and pull even at 6-6 with 5:07 left after a 34-yard scoring jaunt by Jeb Crosby.

The 'Cats regained the lead at 14-6 with 3:54 left in the quarter on a 9-yard run by Rayshon Coleman and a two-point run by Dalton Jackson. However, Kinston once again struck back quickly and needed only one play to catch the

Wildcats as Cale Sumblin turned the corner and raced 65 yards for a touchdown, and Sumblin then passed to Brant McCollough for the two-point conversion as the 'Dogs pulled even at 14-14 with 3:38 remaining in the quarter.

Kinston regained possession near midfield on a pass interception by Cale Sumblin and the Bulldogs cashed in the turnover as they went 57 yards in six plays to take the lead. Sumblin rushed for 28 yards on three carries to lead the Bulldogs down the field, while Jeb Crosby added 27 yards on three carries and scored the touchdown on a 6-yard dash. Marcus Free kicked the extra-point and with 44-seconds left in a wild first quarter Kinston was on top 21-14.

Florala cut the lead to 21-20 early in the second quarter on a 17-yard run by Rayshon Coleman, but once again it took Kinston only one play to get back into the endzone when Cale Sumblin hooked up with Brant McCollough on a 51-yard touchdown toss with 10:45 left in the quarter, and after Free tacked on the extra-point the Bulldogs were on top 28-20.

Florala bounced right back and cut the lead to 28-26 with 9:14 left in the second quarter on a 16-yard pass from Coleman to Christian, and then regained the lead with 5:02 left in the half at 34-28 on an 18-yard td toss from Coleman to Dalton Jackson, and a two-point run by Coleman.

The Wildcats upped their lead to 42-28 early in the third quarter on a 38-yard run by John Howell and a two-point run by Rayshon Coleman. However, Kinston wasn't about to let the 'Cats run away and hide as the Bulldogs defense got on the scoreboard when a high snap was recovered in the endzone for a safety to pull the 'Dogs within 42-30 with 4:35 remaining in the quarter.

Kinston wasn't able to get back in the endzone in the fourth quarter, but Florala had no such problems as the Wildcats added two scores to blow the game open.

Cale Sumblin rushed for 131 yards and 1 touchdown on 15 carries and completed 9 of 21 passes for 97 yards and one td to spark the Kinston offense, while Jeb Crosby rushed for 101 yards and 2 touchdowns on 16 carries. Dalton Smith paced the Kinston defense with 13 tackles, while Marcus Free added 12 stops.

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Kinston Bulldog Cale Sumblin (17) finds running room. Sumblin rushed for 131 yards and 1 touchdown and passed for 97 yards and 1 td in last week's region road loss to Florala.

Brantley bops Red Level 34-6

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
Photos by Cody Nichols

The Brantley Bulldogs continued their drive toward the runner-spot in the region standings last Friday night with a solid 34-6 region road win over the Red Level Tigers.

It took Brantley almost eight minutes to get its hands on the football due to a lengthy Red Level possession, but once the Bulldogs did get the ball it took only five plays to get on the scoreboard and take the lead for good.

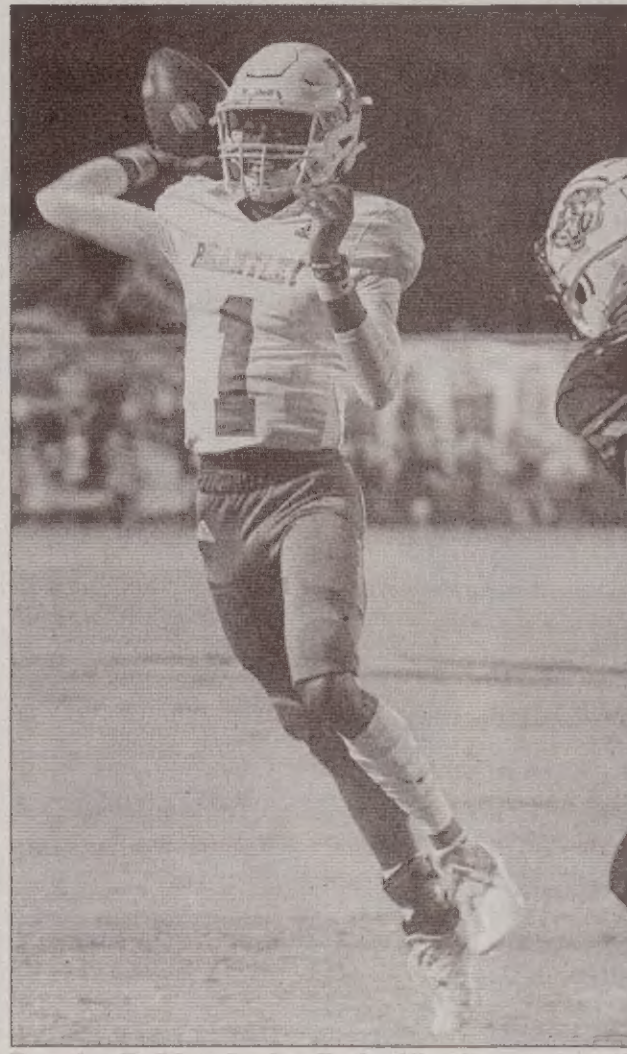
The first Brantley score of the night came with 2:25 left in the first quarter on 39-yard run by Kedrick Brown, and while the extra-point try failed the Bulldogs were on their way with a 6-0 first quarter lead.

Brantley's second possession began at its own 26-yardline after a Tiger punt and this time it took six plays to reach the endzone. A 31-yard run by Brown got the drive off to a fast start, while the score came on a 10-yard pass from Jayden Parks to Jordan Parks. Robert Shine ran in the two-point conversion as the Bulldogs lead grew to 14-0 with 9:00 left in the second quarter.

The Bulldogs next possession began at their 12-yardline after another Tiger punt and Brantley once again put points on the scoreboard as it went 88 yards in six plays, with the touchdown coming on a 32-yard td toss from Parks to Jon Bush. Cooper Layton kicked the extra-point to push the Bulldogs lead to 21-0 with 3:35 remaining in the half.

Brantley began its next series at the Red Level 44-yardline after a pass interception by Kaleb Weed, and from there it took the Bulldogs five plays to get back into the endzone. A 33-yard pass from Parks to Weed got the scoring drive off to a quick start, while the score came on a 10-yard completion from Parks to Robert Shine. Layton's extra-point was true, and with 1:11 left in the half Brantley was in command with a 28-0 lead.

Brantley received the second half kickoff and wasted no time adding to its lead as on the first play of the possession Robert Shine rambled 63 yards for a touchdown, and while



Brantley Bulldog Jayden Parks (1) rolls out to pass. Parks completed 11 of 18 passes for 275 yards and three touchdowns in last week's 34-6 region road win over Red Level.



Brantley Bulldog Eli Nichols (12) drags down a Red Level runner for a short gain.

the extra-point try failed, the Bulldogs had the win wrapped up as they owned a 34-0 lead with 11:30 remaining in the third quarter.

Red Level's only points of the night came with 27-seconds left in the quarter on a 1-yard run by Zannmeyon Calloway, as Brantley never lost command and claimed the 34-6 region win to up its record

to 7-2.

Robert Shine rushed for 99 yards and one touchdown on 10 carries and pulled in two passes for 97 yards and one td to spark the Brantley offense, while Kedrick Brown added 87 yards and one td rushing. Kayden Parks completed 11 of 18 passes for 275 yards and 3 td's, and Jordan Parks had 5 catches for 129 yards and one td.

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SPORTS NEWS

Zion zaps Yellowjackets 22-16

Statistics by Joey Arnold
Photos by Catrina Arnold

The Zion Chapel Rebels surprised Abbeville with an on-sides kick from their own 20-yardline after a safety put the Yellowjackets ahead 16-14 late in the game and then scored the winning touchdown with 22-seconds left on the clock to claim a heart-stopping 22-16 region win Friday night at Green Memorial Stadium.

Zion Chapel, which had to come from behind three times to claim the amazing last-second win, improved its record to 3-6, 2-5 in the region, and finished in a tie for fifth place in the region standings after winning just one game each of the last two seasons.

Abbeville grabbed a 6-0 lead with 3:47 left in the second quarter on an 11-yard run by Wauntavious Conley, but Zion Chapel bounced back on its ensuing possession and pulled even at the half at 6-6 when Joseph Legear tossed a 3-yard touchdown pass to Jackson Adcock with only 26-seconds left in the half.

The Yellowjackets regained the lead at 14-6 with 7:52 remaining in the third quarter on an 18-yard run by Conley and a two-point conversion by Ahmad Billins. However, the Rebels kept battling back and again pulled even, this time with 10:45 left in the fourth quarter when Morgan Sanders scored on a 6-yard run and the Rebels were successful with a two-point conversion.

Abbeville appeared ready to run out the clock and claim the region win after a safety put the Yellowjackets back on top 16-14 with 4:46 remaining in the game, but Zion Chapel surprised the 'Jackets with a successful on-sides kick from its own 20-yardline and then marched 70 yards in 12 plays, with Morgan Sanders scoring the winning touchdown on a 5-yard run with 22-seconds left on the clock. Micah Fuller ran in the two-point conversion to push the Rebels lead to 22-16, and the Zion Chapel defense held on to seal the exciting win.

Micah Fuller rushed for 143 yards on 22 carries and Morgan Sanders added 111 yards and two touchdowns on 35 carries to lead the Zion Chapel offense, while on defense Joeb Bradley recorded seven tackles, Jackson Adcock had a 38-yard interception return, Brayden Benbow had seven tackles and a fumble recovery, and Jackson Dowdy and Shawn Smith both recorded a sack.

The Rebels will close out the season this week when they host Reeltown this Friday night, Oct. 28, at Green Memorial Stadium in Jack.



Zion Chapel Rebel Morgan Sanders (1) looks for room to run. Sanders rushed for 111 yards and two touchdowns in last week's region win.

The yardstick....

ZC		AB
19	1 st Downs	14
58-235	Rushes-Yds.	25-177
25	Passing Yds.	148
280	Total Offense	325
3-4-0	Passes	7-11-1
3/1	Fumbles/ Lost	3/1
0-00	Punts-Ave.	0-00
5-40	Penalties-Yds.	11-80

New Brockton rammed by Headland 34-14

Statistics by Brandon White
Photos by Ashley Bertsch

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw a second half rally fall far short Friday night in a 34-14 road loss to the 5A Headland Rams.

Headland scored on its initial possession when the Rams went 90 yards in 18 plays, with the score coming on a 35-yard pass from Jaxon Williams to Payton Sanders, and after Tripp Turner kicked the extra-point the Rams were on top 7-0 with 3:38 left in the first quarter.

Headland got the ball back at its own 15-yardline after a defensive stand and this time went 85 yards in just five plays to add to its early advantage. Jaxon Williams tossed a 55-yard touchdown pass to Steven Williams to cap the long scoring drive, and Turner again added the extra-point as the Rams lead grew to 14-0 with 8:06 left in the second quarter.

The Rams intercepted a Gamecock pass late in the quarter and cashed in the turnover in just two plays as Williams tossed his third touchdown pass of the half, this time a 15-yard td toss to Caleb Dozier. Turner's extra-point was true as the Rams carried a 21-0 lead in at the half.

Headland received the second half kickoff and wasted no time adding to its lead as Julian Riley fielded the kick at the 25-yardline and sprinted 75 yards for a touchdown. Turner added the extra-point and with 11:44 left in the third quarter the Rams owned a 28-0 lead.

The Rams lead grew to 34-0 with 8:59 remaining in the quarter when Caleb Dozier scooped up a blocked punt and rambled 13 yards into the endzone. However, New Brockton refused to throw in the towel and scored the game's next two touchdowns to go down swinging.

The first Gamecock score came on a 10-play, 76-yard drive that was highlighted by the running of Blake Peterson. Peterson rushed for 60 yards on eight carries and scored the touchdown on a 10-yard scamper with 3:13 left in the third quarter.

The second Gamecock score came after they recovered an on-sides kick and came after a seven-play, 43-yard march. Peterson scored his second touchdown of the half on a 9-yard dash, and Chase Ray connected with James Downing on the two-point conversion as the Gamecocks cut the lead to 34-14 with 9:36 left in the final stanza.

Blake Peterson rushed for 112 yards and two touchdowns on 19 carries to lead the Gamecocks, while Karyus McNabb added 49 yards rushing on 17 carries and Chase Ray completed 8 of 19 passes with one interception for 90 yards. The New Brockton defense was paced by Blake Peterson with seven tackles.



New Brockton Gamecock Chase Ray (19) looks downfield for an open receiver. Ray completed 8 of 19 passes for 90 yards last week.



Zion Chapel Rebel Jackson Adcock (5) jumps for joy with a Rebel teammate in last week's 22-16 region win over Abbeville.

Junior High
ROUNDBALL ROUNDUP

Elba swept by Arifton in season openers

The Elba Junior High Tigers and Lady Tigers tipped off the basketball season last week in Arifton and dropped both contests as the Tigers lost 32-11 and the Lady Tigers lost 29-22.

In the boy's game, the Tigers trailed only 5-2 after one quarter, but saw the deficit grow to 12-4 by the end of the half and never challenged as they suffered the 32-11 road loss. Johnathan Edwards scored 4 points to lead Elba, while Laquatos Edwards added 3, and Levi Martin and Easton McKelvey both scored 2 points. Addison Senn scored 11 points to lead Arifton.

In the girl's game, the Lady Tigers saw a furious second half rally fall short as they dropped their season opener. The Lady Tigers trailed 19-2 at the half, but rallied to pull within 24-14 by the end of the third quarter and battled until the final buzzer. Ny'Asia McCollough scored 8 points to lead Elba, while Makayla Moore added 7, Javonnie Williams, Keelie Moseley and Diovionne Lockett all added 2 points, and Sydney Siler scored 1 point. Lizzy Woodfaulk scored 11 points to lead Arifton.

Samson outscores Kinston 29-13

The Kinston Bulldogs tipped off the season with a 29-13 loss to the Samson Tigers. Jon Simmons scored 6 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Ben McKenzie led the Tigers with 16 points.

Arifton roughs up Rebels 40-10

The Zion Chapel Rebels dropped a 40-10 decision to the Arifton Purple Cats. Conner Davidson scored 12 points and Cooper Murphy added 10 to lead Arifton.

Kinston Lslammed by Samson 21-16

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs tipped off the season with a hard fought 21-16 loss to the Samson Lady Tigers. Maggie Martin scored 11 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Addison Mock scored 6 points and Kendra Jackson and Mya Smith both added 4 points for the Lady Tigers.

New Brockton rips South Dale 43-31

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks rolled to a 43-31 win over South Dale. Ariana Smith scored 20 points and Reese Eddins added 14 to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Haley Leonard scored 15 points and Jaslyn Smith added 11 for South Dale.

Lady Tigers downed by Dauphin 29-28

The Elba Lady Tigers fell to 0-2 in early season action when a last-second shot gave Dauphin a 29-28 win. Elba led 12-5 after one quarter and carried a 14-11 lead in at the half, but was outscored 9-4 in the third quarter to fall behind and saw a rally fall short on the last-second basket. Ny'Asia McCollough scored 10 points to lead Elba, while Sydney Siler and Jadynd Caldwell added 6 points, apiece, Makayla Moore added 4 and Keelie Mosley scored 2 points. Harrison scored 12 points to lead Dauphin.

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New Brockton Gamecock cheerleaders keep the spirit as the Gamecocks continue to battle.



ELBA SCHOOL NEWS

Student Spotlight

by Heidi Smith and Emily Mosley



Brayden Johnson
11th Grade Age 16

What do you love about EHS? The teachers go out of their way to help the students at EHS.

What do you like to do in your free time? Play sports and watch Alabama Football.

What clubs & organizations are you involved in at EHS? I am a member of FBLA, FCA and I am a SGA class representative for the Junior class.

What are your plans for the future? To attend college and pursue a degree in education and become a football coach.

What is your favorite subject in school? History, because I enjoy learning about past events.



EES Faculty Member of the Month...

by Clayton Parker & Conner Herrington

For October, Elba Elementary School chose a faculty/staff member to be recognized as the EES Faculty/Staff Member of the Month.

Fourth Grade teacher Kimberly Wilson (pictured above) has been chosen by the votes of other faculty members.

Congratulations Mrs. Wilson!!!

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SIEVING REPRESENTS EHS AT HEIFER AND STEER SHOW (by Conner Herrington & Clayton Parker)...On Saturday, Oct. 1, Ty Sieving represented Elba High School Future Farmers of America at the Coffee County Cattlemen's Invitational Heifer & Prospect Steer Show. Ty will also be competing at this year's National Peanut Competition in November. He has been preparing for this event and working on his showmanship for the past year. All of this was made possible by the Coffee County Cattle Association.

Smith named Homecoming Queen

by Paris Tyson, Keelie Moseley, & MaKiyah Hooks

The Homecoming Queen was voted on by the students at Elba High School. The queen was crowned Friday, Oct. 14, at the Coronation alongside her court. The queen was nominated by peers to get in the top five and then down to top three and one of the three was picked for Homecoming Queen.

This year's Elba High School Homecoming Queen was Sha'Vaughnie Smith. She is the daughter of Charlotte and Kenneth Smith. Sha'Vaughnie said her plans after high school are to graduate and attend Miles College in Fairfield, Ala. to major in business management as a full-time student earning her Bachelor's degree.

"Being selected as Elba High School Homecoming Queen feels great," she said.

Oates chosen as Homecoming King

by Paisley Tillery & Keelie Moseley

Senior Sean Oates was selected by his peers as this year's Homecoming King.

Students at EHS voted for homecoming king as a part of this year's homecoming festivities. Sean was crowned king at the Homecoming Dance.

He is the son of Crystal Tillis and Ricki Oates.

After high school, Sean said he plans to go to UAB, then attend medical school to get a degree to be an anesthesiologist. Also, he said he hopefully will keep dancing as a hobby.

When asked about being



Homecoming Queen
Sha'Vaughnie Smith

when asked about the honor. "I felt loved. Having this opportunity makes me feel as if many students look up to me. I feel extremely grateful and honored because I've wanted this since Jr. High. It was one of the best days ever. I enjoyed every bit of it."



Homecoming King
Sean Oates

named Homecoming King, he said, "It feels amazing because it truly shows how much support I have from my school, peers, and community. There's so much love from them all."



Zalie McKelvy represents Elba at Miss NPF... (by Keelie Moseley)

On October 14-15, Zalie McKelvy (pictured on right) represented Elba in the Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant.

Zalie placed Top Five in Interview, Verbal Communication, and Evening Gown during the Preliminary Competition. Zalie made the Top Ten and then was announced as a Top Five Finalist. She ended the competition as 2nd Runner Up.

We are so proud of the dedication Zalie has for Elba and the way she represented our city and school so well.

Student-Athlete Spotlight

by Conner Herrington



Keaton Poole
11th Grade Age 16

What sports do you play at EHS and for how long? Football - I have played for 5 years.

What is your favorite part of being on a team at EHS? The energy and excitement. Elba fans are great and they show our team so much support.

What is some advice you would give to younger players? Don't take criticism to heart. Learn from it and play the next play.

Who is your role model and why? My dad because not only is he a great father figure, he also spends time to coach me and help me better myself.

Faculty Spotlight

by Emily Mosley & Heidi Smith



Anna Danford

Subject you teach: Special Education

How many years have you been teaching: This is my 3rd year teaching, but I have worked in education since 2013 as a paraprofessional.

Where did you go to college? ESCC and Grand Canyon University

What is your degree? Collaborative Education (Elementary Education and Special Education K-12)

Tell us about your family: I am married with 3 children - Mason (11), Hudson (6), and Emery (1). My husband, Heath, is a helicopter mechanic and coaches rec ball and travel ball. Mason plays football, basketball, and baseball. Hudson plays baseball. Emery just likes to tag along and play in the dirt (if she can) and eat snacks. We enjoy going to many sporting events and the beach.

What do you love about EHS? I was immediately taken in by the staff and students. They treated me like one of their own from day one. I love the feel of family and always having someone to check on me and lend a helping hand.

What do you like to do in your free time? My favorite things to do, other than supporting my children in sports, are to read and take naps.

What is the most rewarding part of your job? The most rewarding part of my job is when a student finally grasps a concept that has been difficult for them. You can see it on their face and hear it in their voice. I get just as excited as they do. I also really like it when students advocate for themselves.

What is the one thing you hope your students learn from you? To advocate for themselves. It's okay to ask questions and seek out help. Don't wait for someone to offer it to you, if you're struggling say so. Someone else probably is too.



EHS 11th grade student Grady Grantham was among those to 'give the gift of life' by donating blood.

Elba High hosts Blood Drive

by Mikyla Daniels

On Oct. 12th, Elba High School in conjunction with LifeSouth held a blood drive.

The blood drive was a huge success. EHS students along with faculty members from both the high school and elementary school donated 24 pints of blood.

Health Sciences teacher Starla Amison said, "I was very touched by the number of students that donated. The joy of knowing you could save someone's life far outweighed the discomfort of the needle to give blood."

Giving blood was not the only way students contributed that day, students from HOSA and Elba Career Academy's Health Science classes volunteered their time to work the event.

EHS junior Grady Grantham said he was happy to donate blood.

"I donated blood because I want to help people in need, and I would do it again because it could help save some's life," Grantham said.

EHS students who donate blood four times prior to graduation will receive a special cord to wear at graduation.



EES Students of the Month

by Clayton Parker & Conner Herrington

For October, Elba Elementary has chosen students who have accumulated the highest amount of "Caught Being Good" tickets as the Students of the Month. These tickets are given to students who have been caught showing acts of kindness and being well behaved within both the hallways and classrooms. The students pictured above achieved the most "Caught Being Good" tickets in their grade for a single month. Left to right: Brayden Stinson, 5th Grade; Ladarius Lockett, 3rd Grade; Jeremiah Prettyman, 2nd Grade; Lawson Davis, Kindergarten; Riggs Moore, 1st Grade; Piper Astemborski, 4th Grade; and (not pictured) Andrew Wisecup, 6th Grade. Congratulations!!

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